

1 What is claimed is:

2       1. An identification system comprising:

3           at least one transmitter configured to transmit a signal comprising an associated  
4 identification code; and

5           at least one receiver configured to receive said signal and establish a comparison  
6 indication based on comparison of said identification code with a reference code.

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8       2. The identification system of claim 1, wherein said comparison indication  
9 is positive if said identification code matches said reference code.

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11       3. The identification system of claim 1, wherein said comparison indication  
12 is negative if said identification code does not match said reference code.

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14       4. The identification system of claim 1, wherein said receiver comprises  
15 memory for storing said reference code.

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17       5. The identification system of claim 4, wherein said receiver further  
18 comprises a controller and an indicator, said controller configured to communicate with  
19 said indicator, wherein said indicator provides said comparison indication based on  
20 comparison of said identification code with said reference code stored in said memory.

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1       6.     The identification system of claim 4, wherein said memory is  
2 programmable.

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4       7.     The identification system of claim 6, wherein said receiver comprises a  
5 user interface configured to program said memory.

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7       8.     The identification system of claim 1, wherein said receiver is mounted to a  
8 fixed structure.

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10      9.     The identification system of claim 7, wherein said fixed structure is a wall.

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12      10.    The identification system of claim 1, wherein said reference code is the  
13 same as said identification code.

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15      11.    An apparatus for identifying an infant-mother match comprising:  
16           at least one transmitter configured to transmit a signal comprising an associated  
17 identification code for an associated infant; and  
18           at least one receiver configured to receive said signal and establish a comparison  
19 indication based on comparison of said identification code with a reference code.

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1           12. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said transmitter is coupled to an  
2 identification band, and said identification band is coupled to said associated infant.

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4           13. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said comparison indication is positive  
5 if said identification code for said associated infant matches said reference code for a  
6 mother of said infant.

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8           14. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said comparison indication is negative  
9 if said identification code for said associated infant does not match said reference code  
10 for a mother of said infant.

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12           15. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said receiver comprises memory for  
13 storing said reference code.

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15           16. The apparatus of claim 15, wherein said receiver further comprises a  
16 controller and an indicator, said controller configured to communicate with said  
17 indicator, wherein said indicator provides said comparison indication based on  
18 comparison of said identification code with said reference code stored in said memory.

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20           17. The apparatus of claim 15, wherein said memory is programmable.

1       18. The apparatus of claim 17, wherein said receiver comprises a user  
2       interface configured to program said memory.

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4       19. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said receiver is mounted to a fixed  
5       structure.

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7       20. The apparatus of claim 19, wherein said fixed structure is a wall.

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9       21. The apparatus of claim 11, and comprising two transmitters, to be worn,  
10      respectively by the mother and the infant, wherein said two transmitters transmit the  
11      same identification code.

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13      22. A method of identifying a mobile component match with a receiver  
14      comprising:

15           transmitting an identification code;  
16           receiving said identification code; and  
17           comparing said identification code with a reference code to establish a  
18      comparison indication.

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23. The method of claim 22, wherein said comparison indication is positive if  
said identification code matches said reference code.

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2 24. The method of claim 22, wherein said comparison indication is negative if  
3 said identification code does not match said reference code.

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5 25. The method of claim 22, wherein said comparing step is done more than  
6 one time before establishing said comparison indication.

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